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SUBJECT: FOREIGN POLICY ASSOCIATION SPEECH, AUGUST 25

FOR AMBASSADOR SCRANTON FROM UNDER SECRETARY ROGERS

1. I UNDERSTAND THAT A DRAFT OF THE FOREIGN POLICY ASSOCIATION SPEECH WAS DATA-FAXED TO YOUR OFFICE FRIDAY AFTERNOON AT YOUR REQUEST. I'M MOST GRATEFUL TO YOU FOR TAKING ON THIS TASK ON SUCH SHORT NOTICE. YOU ARE VERY KIND, AND I AM DEEPLY GRATEFUL.

2. THE BUREAU OF ECONOMIC AFFAIRS IS LOOKING AT THE SPEECH AND WE PLAN TO GET TO YOU A SECOND DRAFT REFLECTING A NUMBER OF SMALL CHANGES WHICH THEY HAVE SUGGESTED. YOU WILL, OF COURSE, WISH TO HAVE YOUR OWN PEOPLE WORK IT OVER AS WELL IN THE LIGHT OF YOUR OWN SPECIAL INTERESTS AND CONCERNS. IN FACT, YOU MAY WANT TO ALTER THE THEMES OF THE SPEECH. I RATHER THINK THAT CARTER BURGESS WOULD NOT MIND IF YOU SHIFTED THE STATEMENT SO THAT IT CONCENTRATED MORE ON ECONOMIC ISSUES OF RELEVANCE TO THE UNITED NATIONS -- UNCTAD, THE CHARTER OF ECONOMIC RIGHTS

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AND DUTIES OF STATES, AND SO FORTH. I ASSURE YOU THAT

IF A CHANGE ALONG THESE LINES COMMENDS ITSELF TO YOU,
AND YOU WANT SUGGESTED TEXT FROM WASHINGTON, MY OFFICE,IO,
EB AND S/P WILL GET SOMETHING TO YOU WITHIN 24 HOURS.
I WILL BE IN MY OFFICE ALL DAY MONDAY.

3. I WOULD ALSO APPRECIATE YOUR PREFACING YOUR REMARKS
WITH AN APOLOGY ON MY BEHALF. I HAD TRULY LOOKED FOR-
WARD TO MAKING THIS SPEECH TO THE FOREIGN POLICY AS-
SOCIATION AND REGRET THAT CIRCUMSTANCES PRECLUDED MY
DOING SO. I HAVE TAKEN THE LIBERTY OF DRAFTING THE
FOLLOWING INTRODUCTORY PARAGRAPH AS A SUGGESTED PREFACE
YOU COULD USE TO LIGHTLY MAKE THE POINT. PLEASE FEEL
FREE TO ADAPT OR CHANGE IT AS YOU SEE FIT.

BEGIN QUOTE:

LET ME, FIRST OF ALL, CONVEY TO YOU THE DEEP REGRETS
OF UNDER SECRETARY OF STATE FOR ECONOMIC AFFAIRS,
WILLIAM D. ROGERS, WHO HAD BEEN LOOKING FORWARD WITH
GREAT ANTICIPATION TO BEING WITH YOU THIS EVENING.
AS YOU KNOW, HE WAS SENT ON AN IMPORTANT MISSION TO
AFRICA BY SECRETARY KISSINGER, WHOSE NOT INCON-
SIDERABLE TALENTS OF PERSUASION AND DIPLOMATIC SKILL
WERE ALONE ABLE TO CONVINCE UNDER SECRETARY ROGERS TO
RELINQUISH THE PLEASURE OF THIS OCCASION TO ME. HE
HOPES YOU WILL INVITE HIM AGAIN. HE OPINED THAT THIS
EVENING WOULD BE LIKE THE FABLED FEAST OF O'ROURKE:

"WHICH WILL NE'ER BE FORGOT,
BOTH BY THOSE WHO WERE THERE,
AND THOSE WHO WERE NOT."

END QUOTE

ROGERS

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